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## WEEKLY BULLETIN 29, Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2017

<b>MEETING 3862</b>	<b>MEETING 3863</b>
<b>Wednesday February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2017</b>	<b>MONDAY 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017</b>
<b>Chair:</b> President Noel	<b>Chair:</b> Murray Menzel
<b>Program:</b> ANNUAL BOWLS CHALLENGE v HNRC <b>5.45 for 6pm PLEASE BRING A SWEET TO SHARE</b>	<b>Program:</b> Margaret Millard...follow up on "Beyond the Bell"
<b>Cashier:</b> Ian Black	<b>Cashier:</b> Glenn Howell
<b>Bulletin:</b> Kevin Safe	<b>Bulletin:</b> Leo Cummins
<b>Bar:</b>	<b>Bar:</b> John Addinsall
<b>Fines:</b>	<b>Fines:</b> Kevin Safe
<b>Set up:</b>	<b>Set up:</b> Willis Duncan
<b>Coming Dates:</b>	
<b>March 6<sup>th</sup> ...Strathdownie. 6.30 Victorian time. Bus to be arranged by H.N. Meal \$25</b>	<b>Conference.. March 31<sup>st</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup>. Register now.</b>
<b>Our Changeover will be June 26<sup>th</sup>. Partners night.</b>	

### REPORT OF MEETING NO. 3861

**Chairman** Lorraine Wilson opened meeting 3861 and welcomed everyone. We said the Rotary Grace and the Loyal Toast. Murray Menzel proposed the International Toast to the Rotary Club of Dunedin North. They meet on Wednesdays at the Dunedin Golf Club, at 7.30am. She then handed over to President Noel.

**President Noel** welcomed us to the meeting.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

- Inductions....Les Seiffert 80<sup>th</sup> President, Noel Howard 82nd/83rd Presidents.
- Anniversaries...Noel and Rose Howard 12/2, 34 yrs.
- Rotary Friendship exchange with District 3053, India, April 28<sup>th</sup> to May 13<sup>th</sup>. Hosts are being sought for 7 couples.
- "Ride the Bellarine" is on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April. All 15 Geelong area clubs are supporting this event. There re 2 rides - one is 105kms and the other is 60kms. They hope to raise \$80k towards the fight against Polio.
- Register now for the District Conference on March 31<sup>st</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup>.

## REPORTS.

- **Treasurer** Glenn Howell provided information on Financials and Budget Comparisons.
- **Events and Fundraising**.. John Addinsall..Catering Committee met and discussed food for the Vintage Rally in April. We will only be cooking lunches from 11am-2pm.
- **Community**...Kevin Safe explained about the Roster system for the HDSC, collection and return of students from Coleraine to Hamilton, each Tuesday. Participants must have their Working With Children Authorization.
- **Fines**....Richard Beks asked us what we would like to participate in, given the chance to be an Olympian. Each Rotarian described their sporting prowess and nominated themselves for that particular sporting Olympic event. Richard decided he was going to be a weightlifter!

### GUEST SPEAKER KEVIN SAFE.

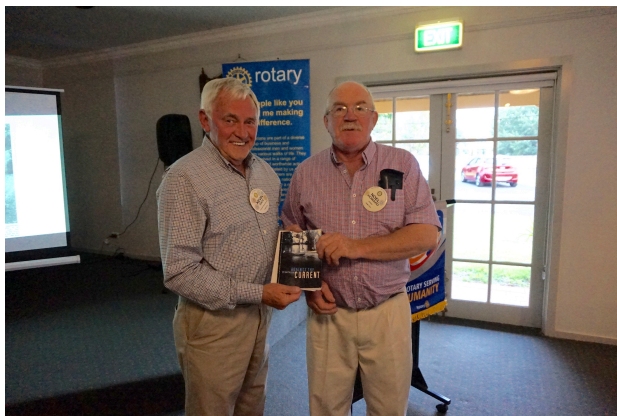
We were taken on a fabulous journey up the rivers and creeks of Victoria and NSW, where Kevin's cousin, Frank Trezise, and his wife and 5 sons, were going to settle in Queensland, by kayaking from Yea initially, downstream via the Goulburn and Murray Rivers, then upstream via the Darling and Barwon to Qld. (5500 river miles) Initially, his wife and infant son remained in Melbourne, but then they were invited to join Frank in Echuca to continue the journey.

Frank had been away to war, and returned a broken man, with many mental problems, and the sons were appallingly treated by their father, who even fired gunshots around them.

Along the Darling River, Frank suddenly abandoned his project, leaving immediately, never to be seen again by the family. Mother and sons continued the journey up the river and also the Barwon to Mungindi, on the Queensland border, where they started living afresh. Each of the 5 sons made a life for themselves.

One of the sons, Tony, wrote a small book, which tells this story, along with many interesting photos. The book is called "Against the Current", by Tony Trezise.

Thank you, Kevin. Your story was very interesting.



President Noel, with PP Kevin Safe.

**Footnote: Please remember to bring a sweet to share at our bowls challenge with Hamilton North, next Wednesday evening. Thank You.**